

LYHO Meeting Minutes

June 18th, 2025

Those in attendance: Shawn, Vanessa, Cammi, Rob, Kendra and Luke.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT – Minutes Approved

TREASURER'S REPORT – Report approved

BUSINESS

Volunteer Opportunities/Fundraising

-Day of Service: Volunteers will paint the new youth shed to match the rest of the buildings at the rink on Thursday, June 19th.

-Fair ticket taking: Vanessa will make sign-up sheets, post them to Heja and confirm arrival times and location with Vicki at the fairground office.

- Chokecherry Festival: Conversation had re: donations and raffle prizes. The following items/ businesses are being contacted: Shawn will talk to Ace or Scott at CMP about a smoker or flat iron. Julie is working on items per Rob. Kendra will talk to Ballyhoo re: a goodie basket with custom items. Vanessa will take inventory of tickets and supplies and post volunteer lists to Heja after the fair.

-Other fundraising: Discussion had about a possible banquet in the future to help offset some of the growing program costs.

2025/2026 Hockey plans and Coach's Update:

-LISA Meeting: Mostly focused on plans for rink improvements. The concession building may not be completed in time-we will keep in touch with Bill.

MAHA updates

-We currently have 2 more seasons as a non-voting member.

-Meetings are mandatory with a \$250 fine if someone from our organization does not attend. Meetings can be attended via Zoom. There is another meeting in August and there is a September 1st deadline for Team declaration into the Treasure State League.

-12U B is looking at going to festival style game play (i.e. 4 games per weekend of travel)

- A \$1500 grant is available through MAHA. There are use restrictions with certain percentages being used for growth, diversity and inclusion. Rob will provide more details.

- Treasure State Cost estimate- \$800 per team. You pay for your own home tournament- referee's will be greatest expense at around \$75-100 per ref each game + travel cost if we don't have our own certified refs. Kendra has offered to make a mock budget per team (looking at possibly having 2 teams).

- We must have a home rink and that will depend on the locker room completion.

HS/14U: Big Sky lost most of their older players, but other organizations may have players wanting to join us.

Gear Collection/Swap: There are still a lot of gear bags needing to be returned-some families have asked to keep them over the summer for camps. Any extra gear that we still have may be added to the gear swap after the Parent/Registration Meeting. Rob is going to see if MAHA grant can be used on purchasing new helmets. Treasure State League will not allow expired helmets, and this may be an issue for many of our players with used gear. We may talk with Play it again sports, Scheels or Sports Center on ordering specific pieces of equipment or gift cards.

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New Logo: 4 logo choices will be posted on Heja for a vote. We will be looking at companies for ordering/printing new jerseys and socks. Cammi will talk with 406 re: prices. We would like to reach out to businesses for jersey sponsors- Kendra will talk to Mid-Rivers and Vacom.

2025-2026 Hockey Registration: Online registration will open on August 1st and close by September 30th. Costs will be finalized at the July meeting. Hockey registration info cards will be distributed at schools once in session and at Chokecherry Festival.

Adjourn: Next meeting is July 28th at 6pm at Central Feed Grilling.